



**PYLE
ADULT
RECREATION
CENTER**

655 E. Southern Ave.
Tempe, AZ 85282

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HOURS
Mon-Thu 8am-9pm
Fri 8am-5pm
Sat 9am-4pm
Sun Closed



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PYLE EDITION

FEBRUARY 2022

Valentine's Day Luncheon Thursday, February 10



Ballroom Dance
Demonstration by
Thompson Dance



Menu:

Creamy Sun-Dried Tomato Pasta with Sausage,
Tossed Green Salad, Garlic Bread
and Dessert

RTA \$6; Non-members \$7

Code: 73964

Happy
January
Birthdays!



Char-Lee Douglas



Janice Merfeld

Pyle Special Events

Thursday special events start at **11:30 a.m.** unless stated otherwise. Advance registration is required and you may register for the entire month, but payment in full is required at time of registration. Please sign up at the Front Desk.

- 2/3** 11:30 a.m.—Birthday Bingo—Celebrate February Birthdays! BYO Lunch, enjoy cake & ice cream, then play Bingo for some fun prizes. RTA \$2; Non-members \$3. Code: 73589
- 2/10** 11:30 a.m.—Valentine's Day Luncheon — See page 1 for details. RTA \$6; Non-members \$7. Code: 73964
- 2/17** 11:30 a.m.—Fun with Friends Lunch—See page 4 for details. RTA \$6; Non-members \$7. Code: 73965
- 2/24** 11:30 a.m.—Brown Bag Lecture Series—Tempe History—See page 5 for details. Free. Code: 73800

Pyle Tuesday Lunch

On Tuesdays, join your friends for a simple, low-cost lunch.

Registration is limited. Please sign up at the Pyle front desk by the Friday before. Sign-ups may also be done at the Cahill Senior Center.

PLEASE NOTE: Lunch is served at 11:30 a.m. Meals **will not** be held for latecomers past 11:45 a.m.
RTA \$3; Non-member \$4

This month's menu:

- 2/1 — Sloppy Joe
Code: 73968
- 2/8 —Pasta Primavera
Code: 73969
- 2/15 — Breakfast for Lunch
Code: 73970
- 2/22 — Meatball Sub
Code: 73972



Retirees of Tempe Advisory Group — RTA

The Retirees of Tempe Advisory (RTA) group meets the first Thursday of each month (*except during the summer*) to discuss the activities and programs at the Pyle Center and to advise and help the staff with planning. All RTA members are welcome to join the discussion and become more involved in senior activities at Pyle. Membership in the RTA is only

\$6 per calendar year. The membership fees help to defray the cost to Tempe taxpayers for the free and/or low-cost senior activities such as Card Games, Scrabble, Lunches, Lectures and Workshops at the Pyle Center.

RTA members receive a discounted rate on Thursday special events and \$3 Lunches at Pyle.

RTA board members are:
President – Lorna Scooler;
VP – Tol Cheshko
Secretary – Beverle Miller

Our next meeting will be
Thursday, February 3,
at **10 a.m.**, Conference Room
Please join us!

Groups & Activities at Pyle

****Please call the Pyle Front Desk to verify that these programs are happening. Because of Covid, some may not have started back again.**

The Pyle Center has many groups calling it home. If you are interested in joining any group, stop by the Pyle Front Desk for more information.

BOOK CLUB

This month's meeting is available via ZOOM on **February 25, 9-11 a.m.**

This month's book: *My Mother's Secret* by J. Witterick

Call the Pyle Front Desk to get on the Book Club list to receive the ZOOM link and Meeting ID.

COLOR & CONVERSATION

Mondays, 9-10:30 a.m.

Tuesdays, 9:30-11 a.m.

Come and visit with friends while coloring. Books and markers are available.

CURRENT EVENTS

DISCUSSION GROUP

Thursdays, 1-3 p.m. Discuss current events, books, events, movies, etc. Currently meeting virtually. In-person participation is limited, by registration only. Call the Pyle Front Desk for more information.

GOOD NEWS GROUP

Mondays, 1-3 p.m.

Get together with others to talk about positive happenings!

LOONEY TOONERS KITCHEN BAND

The band meets every Monday, 9:30-11:00 a.m.

MEN'S GROUP

Tuesdays, 1-3 p.m.

Informal discussion just for guys.

NEEDLEWIELDERS

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Create hand-crafted items for charity in a fun, social environment.

SEW WHAT?

Open Needlework and Crafts:

Fridays, 12:30-4:30 p.m.

Bring your own project of **any** kind and join in the fun.

CRIBBAGE

Mon., 8:30 a.m. -12 p.m.

MAH JONGG*

Tues. & Thurs., 1-4:30 p.m.

(*intermediate / advanced)

PAINTING

OPEN STUDIO

Wed., 9 a.m. -1 p.m.;

Fri., 12:30-4:30p.m. For current and past participants of Pyle art classes.

PARTY BRIDGE **

Tues. & Thurs., 8:30 a.m. -3 p.m.

Wed., 12-3 p.m.

PINOCHLE & GAMES

Tues. 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

SOCRATES CAFÉ

First & Third Saturday of each month, 2-3:30 p.m.

Activities

BINGO: (for 18+)

Wed., 1pm; Card sales begin at 12:15pm;

50¢ per card; 10 card limit.

BLUEGRASS JAM **

SESSION - Listeners welcome.

Must be registered to play.

CALL PYLE TO CONFIRM THIS ACTIVITY

Mon., 1-3 p.m. *TENTATIVE*;

Fri., 10 a.m. -12 p.m.



Fun with Friends Lunch

Thursday, February 17, 11:30 a.m.

Bring a childhood photo of yourself to the Front Desk by Feb. 15 for a contest and a chance to win a free special event lunch!

Menu: Sweet & Sour Meatloaf, Roasted Fingerling Potatoes, Steamed Broccoli and Dessert

Fee: RTA \$6; Non-members \$7 ★ Code: 73965

AARP Tax-Aide at Pyle

For low and moderate-income taxpayers, with special attention to those age 50+.

AARP Tax-Aide will be back to Pyle starting February 7 and continuing through April 11 (excluding Feb. 21—Pyle closed for Presidents Day).

Appointments can be made online **starting Feb. 1st**. Go to aztax-aid.org and click on "Tax Prep Locations", then select the county, area and city.

There will be no in-person consultations this year. Your appointment will involve bringing your documents to be scanned. Your return will be prepared remotely. A second appointment

will be made for the following week to review, sign and pick up your completed tax return.

Items to bring to your first appointment: Completed intake booklet, 2020 tax return (and 2019 if you have it), Social Security card for everyone in your household, all tax documents for 2021, e.g., Forms W-2, 1099, Social Security, mortgage and investment statements and letters from IRS. You will also need your bank routing and account numbers for direct deposit of refund or direct debit for amount owed.

Benefits Assistance Program By Appointment

Offered by the Area Agency on Aging, this program provides objective information about insurance and benefits to seniors, the disabled, and caregivers.

A trained Benefits volunteer will be available **by Appointment** on the following Tuesdays:

Feb. 1, 9:30–11:30am

Feb 15, 9:30–11:30am

Services include:

- Assistance with organizing Medicare and Supplemental claims information to ensure all benefits are paid and obligations to providers are satisfied.
- Up-to-date information and assistance on Medicare Part D prescription drug coverage.
- Information regarding HMOs, managed care, Medicare Supplement plans (Medigap), and options under Medicare.

Participants are never asked for their Social Security Number or Medicare Number for this free service.

PLEASE CALL, OR STOP BY, THE PYLE FRONT DESK TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT.



**Handmade Specialty
Gifts Available
for Purchase**

In the Globe Room

Tuesdays &

Thursdays

9 a.m. to 1 p.m.



Tempe History: An Old West City



Celebrating
150
years
bicentennial 1871-2021
Tempe, AZ

Join Tempe History Museum Senior Curator, Jared A. Smith, to learn more about the city Pyle calls home:

Tempe, Arizona, founded in 1871. Though not known for infamous shootouts like Tombstone, Tempe had its share of gunplay and unwanted moments of "Wild West" mayhem. It was Tempe's place as a major agri-

cultural producer, however, that kept Tempe's spot on the map and in Arizona history. Learn why Tempe was a "Cow Town" before ASU made it a "College Town."

Bring your bagged lunch and visit with friends before the program begins. Room will open at 11:00 a.m. Pre-pay for a dessert for \$1.

Thursday, February 24

Presentation begins at 11:30 a.m.

Code: 73800

Drop-in Option for 50+ Classes at Pyle

Drop in to the following classes for \$5 per class during Session:

Beginning Tap Dance: Mon, 10:40–11:35; Thurs, 11:15am–12:10pm

Bones & Balance: Tuesday or Friday, 10:30–11:15am

Chair Yoga: Tuesday, 9:15–10:15am

Tai Chi Body Balance I: Mon & Wed, 11:50am–12:50pm

Zumba: Tuesday, 11:10am–12:05pm; Friday, 10:40–11:35am

Zumba Toning: Monday, Wednesday & Friday, 8:15–9:10am

Yoga Nidra: Thursday, 8:05–9:00am

Line Dance: Thursdays, 4–5:30 p.m. **Fee: \$8 for Line Dance**

Note: Drop-in space is limited.

Please call the Front Desk at 480-350-5211 to confirm space before dropping in. See the Tempe Opportunities Brochure for Session and "No Class" dates.

Check in at the Front Desk before entering classroom.

See Winter schedule on page 6.

Pyle Fitness Center

Take advantage of a facility fully equipped for you!

The Pyle Fitness Center is open during the following hours:

Monday—Thursday, 8am—8:30pm;

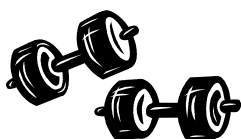
Friday, 8am—4:30pm; Saturday, 9am—3:30pm

Closed on City holidays

Membership Fees:

One month — \$15 Three months — \$35

Six months — \$55 Single Day Drop-in — \$2



Spring 2022 50+ Classes



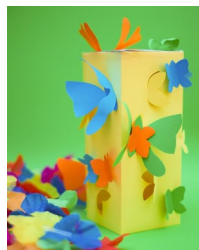
Registration for
Spring classes
starts
February 22 for
Tempe residents;
February 28 for
Non-residents.

Name	Code	Day	Begins	Ends	Begins	Length	Fee
Acrylic Painting	73320	*Th	3/24	5/12	9:00 AM	3h	\$58.00
Drawing: Black & White/Color	73334	M	3/21	5/9	12:30 PM	3h	\$67.00
Oil (Acrylic accepted) Painting	73339	M	3/21	5/9	9:00 AM	3h	\$67.00
Watercolor Painting; Continuing	73356	*Th	3/24	5/12	12:30 PM	3h	\$58.00
Watercolor Painting; Continuing-Virtual	73357	W	3/23	5/11	1:00 PM	2h	\$45.00
Watercolor Painting; Introduction	73358	W	3/23	5/11	9:30 AM	3h	\$67.00
Line Dance	73337	*Th	3/24	5/26	4:00 PM	1.5h	\$54.00
Tap Dance; Beginning	73348	*M/Th	3/21	5/26	M 10:40 AM Th 11:15 AM	55m	\$76.00
Tap Dance; Intermediate	73349	*Tu/Th	3/22	5/26	9:10 AM	55m	\$76.00
Tap Dance; Performance	73350	*Tu/Th	3/22	5/26	10:10 AM	55m	\$76.00
Bones and Balance	73321	Tu	3/22	5/24	10:30 AM	45m	\$30.00
Bones and Balance	73322	F	3/25	5/27	10:30 AM	45m	\$30.00
Bones and Balance II: Functional Fitness	73323	M	3/21	5/23	10:30 AM	45m	\$30.00
Bones and Balance II: Functional Fitness	73324	W	3/23	5/25	10:30 AM	45m	\$30.00
Bones and Balance II: Functional Fitness - Virtual	73325	M	3/21	5/23	10:30 AM	45m	\$30.00
Bones and Balance II: Functional Fitness - Virtual	73326	W	3/23	5/25	10:30 AM	45m	\$30.00
Chair Yoga	73327	Tu	3/22	5/24	9:15 AM	1h	\$40.00
Chair Yoga	73328	W	3/23	5/25	9:15 AM	1h	\$40.00
Chair Yoga	73329	F	3/25	5/27	9:15 AM	1h	\$40.00
Chair Yoga - Virtual	73330	Tu	3/22	5/24	9:15 AM	1h	\$40.00
Chair Yoga - Virtual	73331	W	3/23	5/25	9:15 AM	1h	\$40.00
Chair Yoga - Virtual	73332	F	3/25	5/27	9:15 AM	1h	\$40.00
Chair Zumba Gold-NEW!	73333	M	3/21	5/23	11:45 AM	45m	\$30.00
Gentle Joint Cardio	73335	W	3/23	5/25	10:40 AM	1h	\$40.00
Gentle Yoga	73336	Tu	3/22	5/24	12:15 PM	1h	\$40.00
Seated Strength Training	73342	M	3/21	5/23	9:30 AM	45m	\$30.00
Seated Strength Training	73343	*Th	3/22	5/24	10:15 AM	45m	\$27.00
Tai Chi/Body Balance I	73344	M	4/25	5/16	11:50 AM	1h	\$16.00
Tai Chi/Body Balance I	73345	W	4/27	5/18	11:50 AM	1h	\$16.00
Tai Chi/Body Balance II	73346	M	4/25	5/16	12:55 PM	1h	\$16.00
Tai Chi/Body Balance II	73347	W	4/27	5/18	12:55 PM	1h	\$16.00
Toners & Shapers	73351	M	3/21	5/23	9:30 AM	1h	\$40.00
Toners & Shapers	73352	W	3/23	5/25	9:30 AM	1h	\$40.00
Toners & Shapers	73353	F	3/25	5/27	9:30 AM	1h	\$40.00
Toners & Shapers-Virtual	73354	M	3/21	5/23	9:30 AM	1h	\$40.00
Toners & Shapers-Virtual	73355	W	3/23	5/25	9:30 AM	1h	\$40.00
Yin Yoga	73359	Tu	3/22	5/24	8:05 AM	55m	\$40.00
Yoga Nidra Guided Meditation	73360	*Th	3/22	5/24	8:05 AM	55m	\$36.00
Yoga Nidra Guided Meditation - Virtual	73361	*Th	3/22	5/24	8:05 AM	55m	\$36.00
Zumba for 50+	73362	Tu	3/22	5/24	11:10 AM	55m	\$40.00
Zumba for 50+	73363	F	3/25	5/27	10:40 AM	55m	\$40.00
Zumba for 50+ Virtual	73364	Tu	3/22	5/24	11:10 AM	55m	\$40.00
Zumba for 50+ Virtual	73365	F	3/25	5/27	10:40 AM	55m	\$40.00
Zumba Toning	73366	M	3/21	5/23	*8:15 AM	55m	\$40.00
Zumba Toning	73367	W	3/23	5/25	8:15 AM	55m	\$40.00
Zumba Toning	73368	F	3/25	5/27	8:15 AM	55m	\$40.00
Zumba Toning - Virtual	73369	M	3/21	5/23	8:15 AM	55m	\$40.00
Zumba Toning - Virtual	73370	W	3/23	5/25	8:15 AM	55m	\$40.00

*No class Thursday, March 31.

Christy's Butterfly Paper Lantern Craft

Looking for a free, fun and creative activity? Come to Christy's Butterfly Lantern paper craft. Pyle's very own Program Coordinator and Decorating Diva, Christy, will lead us through a 3-D art project to light up your life. Materials, instructions and a finished sample will be available to help you make your own art project to take home. Please register in advance. This activity is free.



Tuesday
February 22
10:00 a.m.
Code: 72978



A Note from Diana Meyer

After 27 years with the City of Tempe I have decided to retire and move on the next chapter of my life. I am excited for this and at the same time, a bit reluctant to leave this wonderful job at Pyle. I don't know if I could have had a more fulfilling and satisfying career. The best part of this change, though, is the ability to come back whenever I want to join in the fun and activities here at the center. I will truly be coming to a place "where everybody knows my name"! How cool is that? My last day of work is March 10.

The City of Tempe has been such a great place to work and it offered me many opportunities. I began in February 1995 at the front desk of Kiwanis Recreation Center and while there, thanks to the city's tuition reimbursement program, was able attend ASU to earn a Master of Public Administration degree in 1998.

Later, I spent some time in Human Resources and

then in Economic Development and the Operations Center of our new Tempe Town Lake.

2004 brought me back to Recreation where I found my home in Senior Programs—first at Cahill Senior Center and since August 2010, as Coordinator here at Pyle. The friendships I made with patrons and co-workers, as well as the fun and the education that went along with this job, has enriched my life beyond measure.

From here I'd like to spend some time with family, do some traveling, gardening, reading, golfing (I need some lessons). Bob and I plan to visit family in Nebraska (his roots) and eastern Washington (my roots) as soon as this pandemic eases up a bit. I'm optimistic about that even though it *has* been a challenging final two years. Take care of yourself! ❤️



Tech Time Troubleshooting Co-Op



Do you need a smartphone, tablet or other technology quandary demystified? Calling beginners & seasoned techies: sign up to receive or give help operating every day technology. Ask a tech question or offer answers and experience. Participants will be together during the session to learn from each other. Please note, time and space are limited. Participants must register for each session separately. This activity is free.

Mondays: February 7 or 28
9:30—10:30am
Registration Code: 73979, 73981
Wednesday, February 16
9:30—10:30am
Registration Code: 73980

Pyle February 2022

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